

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22779

Idaho's transportation system is in need of additional funds to maintain existing facilities and address critical safety and infrastructure needs. This legislation increases the motor fuel tax by \$.02 per gallon in 2014, \$.02 per gallon in 2015, and \$.02 per gallon in 2016, for a total of \$.06 by the end of the three year period. Additional dollars generated through this increase can be directed to investment in safety projects and bridges that restrict commerce into and out of our communities. State dollars currently committed to these types of projects will be freed up to address maintenance needs, which cannot be funded using federal dollars.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no fiscal impact to the state general fund. However, based upon the gallons of Fuel Product Received in Idaho (CY2012) as reported by the Idaho Tax Commission, each \$0.01 of fuel tax will generate approximately \$8.8 million in the Highway Distribution Account. That would mean an estimated \$17.6 million to the HAD each year for the next three years, for a total of approximately \$52.8 million in additional revenue after July 1, 2017.

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